IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re : Group Art Unit 3311

Application of

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Entitled: APPARATUS FOR RAPID : Santa Fe, New Mexico

∞ COOLING OF THE BRAIN AND

METHOD OF PERFORMING SAME : Date: January 16, 1998 | hereby certify that this correspondence

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In response to the Office communication dated January 2, 1998, please amend the above referenced application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please add the following claim:

--Claim 14. Apparatus for cooling the brain of a patient, said apparatus comprising:

- a) a thermally conductive element,
- b) means for positioning said thermally conductive element in localized contact with soft tissue in the cranio-cervical region of said patient, and
- c) means for cooling said thermally conductive element, whereby said brain is cooled by conduction of blood flowing through blood vessels in said soft tissue contiguous to said brain.--

Applicant respectfully traverses the requirement for 2/02/1998 GPME1 6009005h 0016235 iew of the generic Claim 14 added above.

If no claim is found generic, Applicant elects Claims 7-13 inclusive directed to the endotracheal version of the invention